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BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD

DATE: 17 September 2008

**PLACE: Department of Business Regulation
 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Building 69, Conference Room
69-1 Cranston, RI 02920**

**MEMBERS PRESENT: Messieurs: Smith, Capezza, Jr., Bernardo and
Fairbanks, Jr.**

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian M. Moore, PE Emeritus Member

OTHERS PRESENT: Richard W. Bernstein, Esq.

**Brian Riggs, Department Budget Administrator
Lois Marshall, Administrative Assistant**

CALLED TO ORDER: Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM to commence Board business.

(1) NEW BUSINESS:

Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. made a motion to accept the minutes of the 20 August 2008 meeting. Secretary Bernardo seconded the motion. Motion carried. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to approve and seal the minutes of the Executive Sessions of 20 August 2008. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(2) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Secretary Bernardo made a motion at 12:08 PM to move into Executive Session pursuant to RI General Laws, Section §42-46(5)(a)(2) for sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation and §42-46-5 (a) (4) for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Secretary Bernardo moved to adjourn from executive session and reconvene to open meeting at 1:05 PM pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46(5) (a) (2) and §42-46-5 (a) (4). Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to seal the Minutes of the Executive Session in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 42-46(5) (a) (2) and §42-46-5 (a) (4). Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Secretary Bernardo made a motion at 1:34 PM to move into Executive Session pursuant to RI General Laws, Section §42-46(5)(a)(2) for sessions pertaining to collective bargaining or litigation and §42-46-5 (a) (4) for investigative proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. moved to adjourn from executive session and reconvene to open meeting at 1:44 PM pursuant to R.I.G.L. §42-46(5) (a) (2) and §42-46-5 (a) (4). Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. made a motion to seal the Minutes of the Executive Session in accordance with R.I.G.L. § 42-46(5) (a) (2) and §42-46-5 (a) (4). Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(3) ELSE Proposal

The October PE and FE exams will be the last examination that the Board will be administering. Starting with the April 2009 examinations ELSE will be proctoring the examinations. Roger Williams University has offered their facility free of charge as the location. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to have the Director of (DBR) enter into an agreement as negotiated by Chairman Smith with ELSE for the administration of the PE and FE examinations. A

discussion of an application fee will be tabled until Mr. Riggs discusses the issue with the Director.

(4) Report from Attorney Bernstein to Sandra L. Skogen, Idearc Media Corp.

Attorney Bernstein informed the Board that commencing with the 2009 Edition of the Yellow Pages the Consumer Protection notice for Engineering will be reinstated.

(5) Correspondence from Gregory J. Sisco, PE

Secretary Bernardo made a motion to release Mr. Sisco's PE wall certificate prior to the Rhode Island Society Awards Dinner per Mr. Sisco's request. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(6) Guideline and Responsibilities for Future NCEES MBA Networking Group Leadership

So noted and filed.

(7) NCEES Passes Engineering Education Resolution

At the Annual Meeting the Council passed a resolution to investigate the potential impact of the additional education requirements.

APPLICATIONS:

(8) Radoslav Barac

Secretary Bernardo reviewed Mr. Barac's application for registration

and explained that Mr. Barac had his degree evaluated and the evaluation stated that Mr. Barac degree was not an ABET equivalent. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to deny Mr. Barac registration in Rhode Island because he lacks the educational requirements.

(9) Jigar R. Shah

Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. reviewed Mr. Shah's application for PE registration and had several questions on whether or not Mr. Shan had completed satisfactory mathematics courses. Chairman Smith's recommendation was that Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. sends a letter to Mr. Shah requesting a listing of the mathematics course that he completed.

(10) Pamela E. Crump

The Board reviewed Ms. Crump's application to sit for the FE exam. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to approve Ms. Crump for the October 2008 FE examination. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(11) Michael N. Young

The Board reviewed additional information from the Maine Board. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to deny Mr. Young's registration because he does not meet Rhode Island law in that he took the PE examination more than four times. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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(12) Christopher E. Brennan

The Board reviewed additional information received from the Massachusetts Board. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to approve Mr. Brennan in the Structural discipline. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

(13) Mark A. Walsh

Mr. Walsh's application is on hold till next month waiting for additional information for the Indiana Board.

(14) Ricky N. Terrell

Mr. Terrell was approved in the Mechanical discipline last month. The Board received additional information from the Arkansas Board stating that Mr. Terrell has taken and passed the Fire Protection examination in their state. A decision was made by the Board to allow Mr. Terrell to add Fire Protection to his stamp.

(15) David M. Leiffer

Mr. Leiffer submitted an explanation of the first six years of his professional experience. Chairman Smith asked Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. to review Mr. Leiffer additional information and report his findings to the Board at next month's meeting.

((16) Peter M. Parent

It was the Board decision to deny Mr. Parent to sit for the October FE

examination because he does not meet the educational requirements of the Board.

PE COMITY

Secretary Bernardo made a motion to grant comity to the following individuals in the disciplines specified. Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Abshagen, Timothy C. TN Civil Laprise, Steven A. MI Elec.

Becker, Paul B. NH Struc. Lovell, Jr., William A. CT Civil

Blackburn, Mark J. MA Fire Protection Matuszewski, John S. MA Struc.

Caron, Daniel J. MA Elec. Miekle, Mark D. MN Struc.

Dice, Adam M. MT Elec. Santo Domingo, Oscar CT Civil

Fry, Kirk A. OH Mech. Scott, Tim L. MO Elec.

Garrant, Keith E. MA Fire Protection Semprebon, Galen B. CT Civil

Gibble, Rodney D. NY Civil Skowronski, James R. WA Civil

Hartnett, Douglas J. MA Civil Tarlow, Kenneth M. CA Civil

Howe, Jennifer A. MA Civil Tenenbaum, Harold NY Chem.

Isherwood, Karen M. CT Civil Travers, Matthew TX Civil

Jocelyn, Daniel C. VA Civil Trunfio, Jody P. MA Struc.

Karacostas, Timothy J. TX Elec. Vincello, Mark D. NY Mech.

Kautz, Timothy A. MO Civil

RE-INSTATEMENT

Secretary Bernardo made a motion to reinstated Mr. Bucher in the Electrical discipline pending payment of all back fees and penalties.

Vice Chairman Capezza, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bucher, Thomas G.

C.O.A. APPLICATIONS;

Secretary Bernardo made a motion to approve the applications for Certificates of Authorizations listed on the 17 September 2008 list for Corporations, COA'S renewing, and Soles as noted in the specific disciplines mentioned with the exception of (0), which were denied.

Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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ADJOURNED:

Chairman Smith informed the Board that the next meeting would be scheduled for 15 October 2008 at 12:00 noon. Secretary Bernardo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 PM. Mr. Fairbanks, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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SOLES PAID COMMENTS

EUGENE J. JEFFERS, PE 0 OK CIVIL

GEORGES NEHME 0 OK CIVIL

CHARLES N. STRICKLAND, III 0 OK CIVIL

STRUCTURAL RESPONSE 0 OK STRUCTURAL

RICKY N. TERRELL, PE 0 OK MECHANICAL & FIRE PROTECION

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

THE BHATTI GROUP \$125 OK CIVIL

**INNOVATIVE CONSTRUCTION & DESIGN \$125 OK MECHANICAL &
FIRE PROTECTION**

SOLUTIONS, LLC ONLY

**COLLECTIVE DESIGN ASSOCIATES, LLC \$125 OK ELECTRICAL
ONLY**

CORPORATIONS

BSI ENGINEERING, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL

**CONSULTING ENGINEERS GROUP, INC \$125 OK ELECTRICAL
d/b/a CEG ELECTRICAL CONSULTING**

DYK INCORPORATED \$125 OK CIVIL

JLA ENGINEERS, INCORPORATED \$125 OK STRUCTURAL

MATTHEW E. HACKMAN, PE CHMM, INC. 0 OK CHEMICAL

**PAEP ARCHITECTURE ENGINEERING, P.C. \$125 OK CIVIL, MECH. &
ELEC.**

PROVOST & ROVERO, INC. \$125 OK CIVIL

SEAMAN ENGINEERING CORPORATION. \$125 OK MECHANICAL

THORSON BAKER & ASSOCIATES 0 OK

COA#5449 ADD RESP.CHARGE MICHAEL G. THORSON

M ENGINEERING, INC. 0 OK

COA#5926 ADD RESP. CHARGE DAVID F. GONZALEZ

WITHDRAWALS

COLLECTIVE DESIGN ASSOCIATES, #1456 OK

JOHNSON & SEAMAN ENGINEERING INC. (C#5807) OK

JOSEPH LOONEY & ASSOCIATES (SOLE #1460) OK

MATTHEW E. HACKMAN, PE, CHMM (SOLE #1056) OK

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